ARGUMENT MADE IN PETERSBURG

On the Appointment of Commissioners to Condemn Land.

NEW ELECTRIC LINE.

The Fourth District Committee to Confer With Mr. Ellyson on the Campaign-Public Improvement Committee of the City Council,

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

PETERSBURG, VA., Oct. 1 .- Counsel for Louis E. Spencer, trustee, argued before Judge Mollen last Thursday a petition to remove to the United States District Court the petition of the Richmond and Petersburg Electric Rallway Company for the appointment of five commissioners to assess property in Petersburg which the railway company needs in the construction of a bridge across the river at this city. R. H. Mann, counsel for the railway company, pointed out defects in the petition, and counsel for Spencer filed an amended petition. guments on this were made before Judge amilien to-day. Counsel for the railway company, William L. Royall, of Rich-mond, and R. H. Mann, of Petersburg. contended that an amended petition could not be filed at this time, and that the court ought to get one with the original proceedings for condemnation and not permit the case to go to the District Court. Miles M. Martin, of Richmond, and R. B. Davis, of Petersburg, represented Spencer.

F. G. Freaze, vice-president and general manager of Richmond and Petersburg Electric Rullway Company, was present. Judge Mullen has taken the matter under advisement and will probably render his decision to-morroy

DISTRICT POLITICS.

The Central Committee of the Fourth
District will meet at the Shirley Hotel. in this city, to-morrow night to perfect an organization and map out a plan for the coming gubernatorial campaign. J. Taylor Ellyson, the State chairman.

will confer with the committee at that time. The Common Council this afternoon

considered many matters of importance to Petersburg. The Public Improvement Committee offered a resolution recom-mending the pavement of Sycamore Street, between Tabb and Bank Streets, with granolithic pavement. The resolution was referred to the Street Commit-tee with instructions to ask for bids, as-certain the costs, and make reports to the Council at its next meeting. City Engineer was instructed to estimate the entire cost of paving Washington Street with vitrified bricks between the car tracks and with sheet asphalt from the tracks to the curbing and report to the Council. Mr. Carter R. Bishop, chair-man of the Public Improvement Com-mittee, stated to the Council that just before coming to the meeting he received a communication from the Atlantic Coast Line Railway, asking that the commit-tee defer action in the matter of the pavement of Washington Street until a representative of the company could confar with the committee. The conference will be held this week.

TO REMOVE TRACKS.

The committee contemplated recommending to the Council that it request the Atlantic Coast Line Company to remove one of its tracks on Washington Street between Sycamore and Market Streets.
The narrowness of the walk on the

north side necessitates some action looking to an increase of the sidewalk space The poles supporting the electric rall-way wires and the telegraph wires along this part of the street make travel on the cars, both electric and steam, exceedingly dangerous. Not very long ago an employe of one of the stores in this city got on the train near the station on Washington Street to deliver a package, and was killed by being struck against one of the poles while getting from the None of the Street Railway Company conductors have been seriously in-jured by the poles at this point, but many of them have been struck and slightly hurt. It is not the purpose of the Committee, nor of the Council to em-barrass in any way the railway compa-ny, but the company anticipates racical changes and improvements to their road and station on this street, and in view of this fact, the committee believes it would he well to begin the improvement by re-moving one of the tracks so that a walk-way may be laid at the same time the roadway of the street is paved. CORIOLANUS.

The first presentation of Coriolanus in Petersburg for several years will be given to-morrow night at the Academy Music by the company headed by Mr. R. D. McLean and Miss Odette Tyler. There is considerable interest manifested in the appearance here of Miss Tyler, who is a North Carolinian and known to some of the people in this city. At the recent meeting of the Ladies'

Memorial Association it was decided that the association was ready to begin the memorial work on Old Blandford Church and was resolved that all the member of the Ladies' Memorial Association and a committee from the Daughters, consisting of Mrs. J. W. Claiborne, Mrs. R. T. Meade, Mrs. William R. McKenney

M'KINLEY'S ASSASSINATION

In Picture Stirring Scenes Are Graphs ically Represented in Moving Pictures.

To-night at Dr. Tracy's Tabernacle Tent the following films of the great national tragedy, the assassination of President McKinley, will be given by

President McKinley reviewing the troops at the Pan-American Exposition.

The President is seen on the reviewing

stand at the Stadium, with escort

The President's speech at the Pan-American Exposition.

In this picture we present a wonderful and life-like likeness of President Mc-

Kinley. He first walks upon the platform, escorting Mrs. McKinley, whom he very reverently shows to a seat. The Presi dent is next introduced to the audience by President Milburn, of the Pan-American Exposition, and 'mid handelapping cheering and waving of hats, he at once begins his memorable speech. The mob outside the Temple of Music

at the Pan-American Exposition.

This picture was photographed immediately after the shooting, and shows the intense excitement of the people. The Pan-American Exposition guards are plainly seen in the background, trying to check the frantic multitude as they sway backward and forward in their mad en

deavor to reach the assassin.

A silver offering will be taken at the A silver oneiling door to help pay the expenses.



CANDY CATHARTIC ancareta

Genuine stamped C. C. C. Never sold in bulk. Beware of the dealer who tries to sell "something just as good."

and Mrs. James McClevy, be authorized to solicit subscriptions from all Peters-burgers for this work. Blos for the work are in, but the work will not be awarded until they have sufficient funds in hand

to pay for it.

The Council this afternoon ordered that the behance due on the filter recently built in this city (\$2,150) be paid, and that a chemist be employed to analyze

that a chemist be employed to analyze the water after it is filtered.

SENATOR MILWAINE.

State Senator W. B. Mellwaine, will appear Friday before the co-sittee of the Constitutional Convention having in charge the feilow-servants' liability olit.

Charles Feilow-servants' liability olit. Charles Feisel and George Groshans, two of the men who were injured in the Scaboard Air Line wreck, are con-valescing rapidly. William Tysol, the

negro, is in serious condition, and his in-juries are considered fatal. James Al-good would not allow his wounds to be dressed at the hospital and left without any ceremony. Algood is said to be a 'smooth customer," and goes under the name of "Kentucky Jim." Rev. James Arthur, who was recently expelled from the Montgomery Presby-

tery, has sent in his resignation as pas tor of Tabb Street Church, in this city, the pastorate of which he accepted a short time before being expelled.

short time before being expelled.

Mr. James A. Alfriend, for a number of years with Mr. Jno. R. Turner, has been appointed to fill the position in the Atlantic Coast Line office in this city made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Wallace Jefferson, who left this morning for the Medical College of Virginia to study medicine.

Mr. John D. Watkins will not be a canfor re-election to the Common Council. CAME TO THE WEDDING.

Several friends from Petersburg, went o Richmond to-day to attend the Glasgow-Branch wedding, Among them were: the Misses Lassiter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamilton, Mrs. Alexander Hamil-ton, Mrs. and Miss McGill. gow-Branch

on, Mrs. and Miss McGill.

Mrs. Hampden Sidney Lewis, of New Orieans, who has been visiting Miss Mary Patteson, in Petersburg, left this afterneon to visit her friend, Mrs. Bilof Norfolk.

Miss Man Davis returned to Petersburg to-day, after spending the summer in Nova Scotia, Canada, and Northern cities, including Buffalo. Mr. Bartlett Roper, Jr., spent Sunday and yesterday with friends in Lynchburg.

The engagement of Mr. D'Arcy Wentworth Roper, formerly of this city, but now of London, Eng., and Miss Elizabeth Holmes Powell, of Cleveland, Ohio, is announced. The wedding will take place the last of December in Cleveland. Miss May Ellen Whyte, who has been spending the summer in Radford, will

eturn to Petersburg next week.

Miss Annie Wilson, who spent August and Sentember at Amelia Springs, re-

turned home last night.

In the absence of Dr. W. F. Drewry, of the State Central Hospital, Petersburg. his paper on the treatment of collection in Virginia was read by Rev. J. B. Dunn, of the Episcopal Church.

KALEIDOSCOPE EDITORS.

Class Officers Elected at Hampden - Sidney College.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) HAMPDEN-SIDNEY, VA., Oct. 1 .- Following are editors of The Kaleidoscope elected by the several classes this morn-ing: Senior, Hardy Cross, Hampden-Sid-ney: Richard H. Burroughs, Norfolk; Cabell Fitzgerald, Richmond; Robert S. Graham and Robert E. Henry, Tazewell; Lyttleton E. Hubard, Bolling Junior, Lemuel Roy Jones, Petersburg; Frank H. Mann, Nectoway; Rebort S. Pruston, Marion; Sophomore, B. Mason Hill and Co...n D. Spottswood, Petersburg; fresh-man representative to be chosen. The elections in the three higher classes

this morning resulted in the following organizations: Senior Class-President, J. H. Rudy, Paducah, Ky.; Vice-President, Cabell

Fitzgerald Richmond; Secretary, Rich-Fitzgerald, Richmond; Secretary, Richard C. Stokes, Covington; Treasurer, E. Herman Cohn, Norfolk; Historian, D. Hamilton Willoox, Petersburg; Sergeantat-Arms, James F. Epks, Blackstone; Football manager, R. E. Henry, Tazewell; Captain, J. H. Rudy, Paducah, Ky.; colors, purple and white.

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Junior Class—President, Luther Sheldon,
Norfolk; Vice-President, Stuart Grattan
Christian, Richmond; Secretary, W.
Sharpe Lee, Crewe; Treasurer, Horace P. Jones, Cherriton; Historian, George S, Harnsberger, Shenandoah; Sergeant-at-Arms, Walter F, Clarke, Danville; Foot-ball Manager, Lewis D, Johnston, South

Dail Manager, Lewis D. Johnston, South Boston; Captain, Richard A. Gilliam, Covington; colors, pink and blue. Sophomore Class—President, Alfred F. Patton, Danville; Vice-President, Abney Payne, Charleston, W. Va.; Secretary, Samuel W. Budd, Petersburg; Treasurer, Laba C. Lawson, Sau., Foston; Historian, John C. Lawson, Sould Boston; Historian T. J. Harwell, Petersburg; Sergeant-atrms D C Collins, Ludlow, Ky.; Foot Boston; Captain, William G. McCorkle, Charleston, W. Va.; colors, orange and

VIRGINIA FIREMEN.

Charley Rouss Company, of Winchester, the Guests of Philadelphia.

ecial Dispatch to The Times.) winchester, VA., Oct. 1.—The Char-ley Rouss Fire Company, which made a very favorable impression upon Richmond during the Firemen's Convention a year area left, this maning for Dhibalelehia go, left this morning for Philadelphia to be the guests of the firemen of that city during the annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Firemen's Associa-tion, to be held there this week,

The Charley Rouss was the only com-pany in Virginia that received an invi-tation. Their reel team, which, a num-ber of years ago, reduced the long distance world's record to 38 2-3 seconds, will probably enter the races. The Union Band and a large number of ladies accompanied the handsomely uni-

formed firemen on the trip.

NORTH ATLANTIC SQUADRON.

Change of Venue Asked in the Newpor News Mayoralty Suit.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Oct. 1.—The
North Atlantic squadron left Old Point
this afternoon for the practice grounds
outside Cape Henry. The ships will be outside Cape Henry. The simps will be gone about seven days, and will return to Old Point before going north. The Puritan passed Old Point this afternoon bound from Annapolis for Norfolk.

After two unsuccessful efforts to secure a verdict in the suit of ex-Chief of Po-

ice S. J. Harwood against Mayor A. A Moss, for ten thousand dollars damages for alleged slander, the plaintiff to-day decided to apply to the Circuit Court for a change of venue.

STAMPED HER LIFE OUT. Case Parallel to Billy O'Boyle's-Ship Captain Shot Himself.

(Special Dispatch to The Thore.) NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Oct. 1.—"Buddy" Mathews, a negro, was arrested this morning for felonious assault, having almost stamped the life out of a woman named Lou Ham. It is probable that the charge will be changed to murder, as it is

believed that the woman cannot recover. The case is almost parallel to that of Billy O Boyle, who stamped the life out of Alma Hamilton nearly two years ago, and has been under sentence of death for shouts.

and ans been under scheener about a year.

The steamer Lord Londonberry, from Halifax, brought a paper here describing the peculiar accident to Captain Harrison, master of the Lord Landsdowne, at Belfast, Saturday, September 21. Captain Harrison was found in his stateroom with a builet wound behind the right ear, apa bullet wound behind the right parently fatally hurt. He told those who found him that it was an accident, but he was unable to give any details. Captain Harrison is one of the best known and ost popular ship masters coming to this

Work has been started upon improve ments below the city, near Point Breeze, that will add greatly to the value of prop-erty at Dawson City. A road is being cut through and built up that will connect the settlement with the city, lessening the distance, as now traversed, very materially. An intervening and heretofore impassable marsh is being filled up and will be platted.

LIEUT, GRIFFIN APPOINTED.

The Case of United States Marshal Felts Contiqued o . Mr. Montague's Motion,

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) LYNCHBURG, VA., Oct. 1.-Lieutenant F. W. Griffin, son of Major Samuel Griffin, of Bedford, has successfully passed the necessary examination in the United States army. Lieutenant Griffin was in the Cuban campaign, and was first lieutenant in the Twenty-seventh Volunteers in the Philippines.

On the motion of Attorney-General Monnamed Vaughan, at Wytheville, was continued to the regular March term.

DROPPED DEAD.

A Cider and Vineyard Company Organized at Winchester.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) WINCHESTER, VA., Oct. A.—While standing over the wash-tub at her home in the mountains west of Winchester, Miss Rhoic Wildman dropped dead. She was 80 years old.

The Valley Cider and Vineyard Company was organized here to-day by prominent business men, with a capital of \$25,000.

Osborne-Plaster.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) LEESBURG, VA., Oct. 1 .- One of the prettiest weddings of the season took place this morning at 11 o'clock in Mt. Caivary Episcophi Church, at Round Hill, when this rannio Meade, the eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George E. Plaster, occame the bruce of Dr. Archibaid

Osporne, or Furceiville.

The church was tastefully decorated for the occasion, and promptly at the ap-pointed hour the wedding procession entered to the strains of the march from Lohengrin in the following order: The ushers—classmates of the groom—Drs. Holmes Yeakiey, of Staunton; H. Garnett Plaster, brother of the bride; Barnes Hooe, Washington, D. C.; Clayton Orr, Fetersburg, Va. The bride, attired in a gown of French batiste over white taffeta. veil and orange biossoms, and carrying brides' roses, came up the aisle with her sister and maid of honor, Miss Marion Mason Plaster, who were white organdy

Mason Plaster, who wore white organdy and carried La France roses.

Freceding the bride and her maid of honor, Little Miss Vivian Daniel, of Petersburg, in a gown of white and pink, scattered pink roses. The groom and his best man, Dr. T. S. Richardson, of Waynesboro, Va., met the procession at the altar, and the impressive ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. D. Ta was performed by the Rev. J. Mothe, of Epiphany Church, Washington, D. C. The bride was given away by her father, Dr. George E. Piaster, of Bluemont. At the conclusion of the ceremony the procession left the church to the peals of Mendelssohn's wedding march. rendered by Miss Sallie Osborne, of Clarke county. Monday evening preceding the marriage

a reception was tendered the young cou-ple at Glenmeade, the home of the bride. The hall and parlors, with their elaborate decorations, presented a brilliant scene. The invited guests were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Daniel, of Fredericksburg: Miss Medora Hooe, Miss Margaret Stuart and Mr. Dangerfield Ashton, of King George; Misses Janet and Louise Meade, Mr. E. Fitzhugh Meade, Miss Sallie Os-Mr. Edgar Snowden, of Alexandria; Misses Gregory, Stier, Smith, Kasper and Baird; Mr Guy Smith and Dr. A. Barnes Hone of Washington; Dr. Holmes Yeakley, of Staunton; Dr. T. S. Richardson, of Waynesboro; Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Bryden, of Hamilton; Or. Clayton Orr. of Petersburg; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Throck-morton, of Leesburg; Misses Osborne, of Purcellville: Miss Pearl Osborne, of Bluemont; Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Plaster, Miss Sue Leith, Mr. Bernard Throckmorton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Trusdell, of Washington; Miss Talinferro and Mr. E. Hunter Talinferro, of Baltimore, and Miss Laura Johnson, of Frederick Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborne left on the noon train for an extended northern tour. The bride is a direct descendant through her mother of George Mason, of Gunston Hall, and is connected with many other old Virginia families. The groom also comes of a family high in social annals.

New Flour Mill. (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Oct. 1.-L. CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Oct. 1.—i. W. Graves, of this city, and G. M. Brown and M. Jefferies, of Culpeper, have recently purchased the J. B. Andrews lot. near the C. and O. depot, on which they propose to erect a large flour mill. The Chariottesville Lumber Company has the

Drowned.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) SUFFOLK, VA., Oct. 1.—John Hall, colored, aged about twenty-seven years, was this afternoon drowned in Milner's Creek, near Exit. He was handling a raft of logs and fell off. The body was recovered.

Tutt's Pills Cure All Liver Ills. Perfect Health.

Keep the system in perfect order by the occasional use of Tutt's Liver Pills. They regulate the bowels and produce

A Vigorous Body For sick headache, malaria, bilionsness, constipation and kindred

TUTT'S LIVER PILLS. fessor Beardsworth's horse was found several miles below the scene of the

diseases an absolute cure.



Modest Womanhood

A becoming modesty keeps many afflicted women from consulting a doctor about female diseases and the fear of an unnecessary surgical operation keeps many others away. In this way the poor suffering woman who longs for relief but shrinks from secking it, gives up it bundreds of thousands of women in this country to-day, like Mrs. Steele, know the reed of giving up—that there is a positive home cure for female diseases within the real. modest woman.

WINEOFCARDU

made life worth living for Mrs. Steele, when the best doctors in Illinois could not help her without an operation from which she recoiled with horror. If you are despondent, suffering female ills and bearing pain, go to your druggist and buy a bottle of Wine of Cardui. It will relieve you.

I have been a sufferer every month since I have been a woman and have been treated by the best doctors and found no relief. The last doctor wanted me to go to the hospital and have my ovaries removed. He said: "This is the only remedy I can see for you, Mrs. Steele." "No, no, I will not," I said. Then I found a Ladies' Birthday Almanac and this is the way I found relief and I am not butchered up by the doctor. I don't wait for my woman friends to see your advertisement, but I go and tell them. I can't speak good enough for this wonderful Wine of Cardui. I am a strong woman and do all my work and ride my bicycle. I send word to ladies I hear are suffering and I saved one lady from Iosing her baby by giving her Wine of Cardui. Mrs. B. M. STEELE

All druggists sell \$1.00 bottles.

For advice and literature, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Company, Chattanooga, Tenn.

THE CONFERENCE MET IN ASHLAND

The Quarterly Meeting of the Richmond District.

REV. DR. W. V. TUDOR PRESIDES.

Rev. Dr. Atwill Made a Warm Welcome Address-Rev. W. F. Hayes Preaches the Opening Sermon-Gen. Gordon Lectures at Night.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) ASHLAND, VA., Oct. 1.-The tenth ses sion of the West Richmond District Conference convened here this morning in Duncan Memorial Church. After leading in a short religious service and making a brief statement as to the origin and usefulness of district conferences, Rev. Dr. W. V. Yudor, the presiding eider, declared

Rev. Ernest Stevens was chosen secre-tary, who appointed Rev. G. E. B. Smith his assistant. On roll-call seventeen preachers in charge, three local preachers, one superannuary and ten lay de-gates answered to their names, Many others arrived later. Rev. W. H. Atwill, pastor of Duncan Memorial, delivered a warm wel-come, bidding the delegates enjoy the many spiritual blessings, intellectual and social, that are in store for them. worthy Mayor, as usual, presided with social, that are in store for them.

TUEINESS SESSIONS.

The hours for business were fixed at 3:30 A. M., to 11:30 A. M., when religious services will be held. After dinner the conference will meet at 3 o'clock and adjourn at will. The reading of reports by the pastors showed that the different charges in the district are in a healthy, spiritual and financial condition. Glichrist Herndon, pastor of a Presby-terian Church in Georgia, was introduced to and recognized by the conference. The hour for devotional services arriving. Rev W. F. Hayes, of Baskerville, delivered the opening sermon, which was earnest, elo-quent and powerful. TRAINING THE YOUNG.

The afternoon session was devoted principally to the reading of a well-prepared paper by Rev. Porter Hardy, of West Chesterfield Circuit, on "Training the Young Feople," The following committees were announced:

tees were announced:
Committee on Business—L. B. Betty, T.
J. Bosman, W. F. Hayes, M. L. Williams,
W. G. Burch, W. G. Ivey, J. G. Hunt. Committee on Temperance—R. F. Gayle, M. F. Williams and R. M. Maxey. Committee on Examining Candidates— M. Maxey, J. H. Kabler and C. C

Wertenbaker

GEN, JNO. B. GORDON.

To-night a large crowd heard the soul-stirring lecture of Gen. J. B. Gordon on the "Last Days of the Confederacy," for the benefit of the members of the district conference and the public generally. There were present many from Richmond, hirty members of the Constitutional Con-

PROF. BEARDSWORTH DROWNED

His Horse and Buggy Washed Down the Shenandoah River.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

WINCHESTER, VA., Oct. 1 .- Prof. Wm. H. Beardsworth, a well-known mu-steian of Buena Vista, lost his life by be-ing drowned in the Shenandoah River being drowned in the Shenandoah River between Shenandoah, City and Riverton early this morning, while en route to Winchester. His horse and buggy have been found, but there has not been discovered any trace of Prof. Beardsworth, A young lady arriving here said she saw the team going down the river.

Professor Beardsworth was born at Wapphester England forty-eight years Manchester, England, forty-eight years ago, and was an accomplished musician. He is survived by a widow, four sons and two daughters.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
BUENA VISTA, VA., Oct. 1.—News has
just been received here of the accidental drowning in the Shenandoah River of Professor W. H. Beardsworth, of this city while attempting to cross the river which was considerably swollen by the recent rains. Professor Beardsworth, who was engaged in the piano and organ business, was trave, through that section f the Shenand in Valley when the accident occurred. He was a prominent Mason, belonging to a lodge of this city.

His Cries Not Heeded. (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

LURAY, VA., Oct. 1.—Professor W. H. Beardsworth, a noted musician of Buena Vista, and a former resident of Luray, was drowned in Naked Creek, in the southern end of Page county, last Saturday evening about 7 o'clock. Professor Beardsworth was on his way from Staunton to Shenandowh City, this county, driving through the country in a buggy. On reaching Naked Creek, which was greatly swollen by Saturday's rain, being several feet above fording. Professor Beardsworth drove in, when the horse and buggy carrying him were swept down the swift current.

Mr. Robert Rucker, of Shenandoah, who was some distance below the ford, heard the cries of Profesor Beardsworth for help while in the stream, but think-

for help while in the stream, but think-ing it was some one on the opposite bank-paid no attention to them. Rucker also cass in the semi-darkness he could diswuish an object resembling a horse and buggy passing down the swift stream.

On his return to Shenandoah Rucker reported what he had seen and heard. when diligent inquiries were sent out for any one who might be missing. Not until this morning, however, was it definitely known who the drowned man was. Pro-

drowning at an early hour this morning grazing in a field beside the river, all the harness but the collar and hames having been torn from the animal.

The buggy was also found some dis-

tance further up the river. The body has not been found, but the river is being dragged. Professor Beardsworth was an English-

man, and was regarded as one of the finest planists in Virginia. He was for several sessions teacher of music in the college at Luray.

He is survived by a widow and a large family of children.

CLARKSVILLE SCHOOLS.

Opened With Interesting Speeches and Exer_ cises by the Scholars. (Special Disputch to The Times)

CLARKSVILLE, VA., Oct. 1.-The opening of the Clarksville Graded School yesterday was made the occasion of delightful little impromptu function that was enjoyed by all, old and young. By 7 o'clock last evening they began to come. Fathers and mothers, sisters and brothers, uncles and aunts, with cousins of all ages, poured in, until before the time for the opening exercises came the large room and the hall of the Clarksville Academy was filled to repletion and standing was at a discount. Judge Henry Wood, in a neat and appropriate speech, opened the exercises by welcoming the large audience and calling Mayor J. P. Taylor to the chair. Our worthy Mayor as usual, presided with

grace and dignity. Rev. Geo. L. Watkins then delivered an excellent address on "Systematic Beneficence in Education." His earnest plea for a higher education, both for head and heart, met with an apprecia-tive response from the intelligent audience present. After Mr. Watkins came our new principal, Prof. Henry Boggs, recently of Masonic Home School at

Richmond, Va. He gave us an exceedingly interesting talk upon plans, methods and purposes of common school education. His remarks were well timed, and in excellent taste. The Rev. W. B. Cooper followed in a very unique address on co-operation. When I say Brother Cooper's address was full of pith and point, and characteristic of the man, no more need be said.

The closing address was made by Thos.

N. Williams, with "Popular Education" as his theme. His wonderful array of facts, figures and fancies, supported by statistics of the progress and effects of

popular education in this and lands, were, indeed, startling, and lands, were, indeed, startling, and well calculated to make one wonder how these things can be. Excellent music, both vocal and instrumental, by the young ladies of Clarks-ville, interspersed throughout the exercises, added much to the enjoyableness

The school starts off under more favorable auspices than ever before, and under the leadership of Prof. Boggs, ably secassistants. great things are expected.

Enstern Shore Methodists. (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

FRANKTON, VA., Oct. 1.-An in-teresting revival is in progress in the Methodist Church here. The congregations are very large, and more than a score of persons have professed religion. The preaching last week was done by R. B. Blankersship, of Capeville, Mr. Blankership is a very able and effective preacher-clear, strong and at times eloquent.
The pastor, Dr. Ray, expects to continue

the meeting this week. The last quarterly meeting for this charge is being held here by Rev. W. E. Judkins, D. D., who is preaching with power and grace.

The financial showing is the best, and the charge will pay the pastor's salary in nth ahead of the session of the

annual conference. Virginians in Washington.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 1.-Virginians registered at Washington hotels to-night are: W. D. Maher and wife, J. C. Hofheimer, Wm. W. Harris and Frank H. Champion, Norfolk; J. F. Templeton and Miss Templeton, Waynesboro; W. J. Brown, Jr., Warrenton; F. I. Bölton and wife, Norwood; Wm. McCormick and wife, Milborne: Wm. G. McCormick and wife, Staunton: J. F. Arams and wife, Aldie, and J. H. Clarke, Greenesville.

Fincastle Residence Burned. (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

FINCASTLE, VA., October 1.About one o'clock this morning the dwelling house of Mr. W. H. Simmons was entirely destroyed by fire, including all his furniture.

The fire was discovered just in time for

The fire was discovered just in time for the family to escape. The estimated loss it \$1,500. The insurance is \$1,150.

It is impossible to estimate the actual loss, as Mr. Simmons lost all his papers and accounts. The fire is supposed to have originated from a defective flue, and was entirely beyond control when discovered.

Accidental Shooting.

According to a message received here from Saluda yesterday a six-year-old girl was shot by her little brother Monday. They were children of Mr. Clarence Lawson, and it was the same old story, the boy not knowing the pistol was loaded. The boy is twelve years old.

Gave Himself Up.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
LYNCHBURG, VA., Oct. 1.—Custis Burton, who on yesterday shot and killed Fred Penn, a negro, in Bedford county, has given himself up to the authorities. At a preliminary hearing he was admitted to ball. He came here to-day and secured counsel. Bears the Signature Charles Hillicher

IN OLD VIRGINIA

A Registration Book Lost in a Norfolk Precinct-

THE NORFOLK COUNTY CONTEST

John C. Parker Resigns as Chairman of the Southampton County Committee. Musgrave Got a Majority, But Not the Nomination.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) SUFFOLK, VA., Oct. 1 .- Democratic

Chairman John C. Parker, of Southampton, will not serve again as county chairman. His resignation was sent to the committee in August, but was not accepted, and Mr. Parker took time to reconsider. He authorized the announce-ment to-day that he would not consent to a re-election under any condition. HAS BEEN ILL.

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Mr. Parker is just getting over a long spell of illness, and he could not continue as chairman without jeopardizing his health or neglecting private business. The Southampton compilities is composed. The Southampton committee is composed of thirty members. They will meet tomorrow and name a new chairman.

MUSGRAVE'S MAJORITY.

Notwithstanding Hom J. S.- Musgrave got beaten in Saturday's meetings, according to the plan, John N. Schrell, Jr., having gotten about thirty and three-fourths out of sixty delegates, Musgrave had a plurality of twenty-one votes over Sebrell in the entire county. The delegates will meet to-morrow at Courtland gates will meet to-morrow at Courtland and nominate Sebrell.

LOSS OF REGISTRATION BOOK.

The Portsmouth Committee Ask Norfolk County Case to Be Reopened.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) NORFOLK, VA., Oct. 1.—The registra ion book of the first precinct of Third Vard of Norfolk is missing. The an-Ward of Norfolk is missing. The an-nouncement of this fact to-day caused a great sensation here.

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W. D. Butt, registrar of the precinct, says that the book was, after the election, May 23d last, turned over to the judge of election, and has not since been returned to him. A stiff fight in this ward is impending at the coming election be-tween W. W. Dey and James E. Prince, Montague supporters, and Clerk of the Courts James V. Trehy, a follower of Senator Martin, and who supported Congressman Swanson for Governor.

The loss of the book is popularly be-lieved to have some bearing on the ap-proaching battle between the Dey and Trehy forces

Trely forces.

Portsmouth City Democratic Executive Committee have sent a letter to Chairman Ellyson asking that the question whether the "straightouts" or the "fusionists" of Norfolk county should be recognized by the State Committee be recognized and submitted as the House Occasion. opened and submitted at the House October 9 and 10 primary. The State Com-mittee recently decided in favor of the fusionists, and against this action the

City Committee protest.

They make the point that although there are eleven members of the State Committee, but four voted to recognize the fusionists or allied Democrats and Republicans of Norfolk county.

Lunenburg Democrats.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
LUNENBURG COURTHOUSE, Oct. 1.-The Democratic County Committee met here yesterday and nxed upon October nere yesterday and axed upon October 12th for the county primary to be held to nominate a candidate for the Legislature, the person receiving the largest number of votes to be the nominee. number of votes to be the nominee. Twenty-three out of thirty-six members of the committee were present in person

and by proxy.

Each precinct was instructed to elect at the primary its committeemen, and these committeemen to meet at Lunen-burg Courthouse on October County Court Day at 2 o'clock to elect a county

chairman.
Mr. T. A. Overby, the incumbent in the House from this county, and Captain D. R. Love are the only candidates so

far announced.

Mr. Overby was elected to fill the term of the late Colonel A. W. Ellis, whose sad death, it will be remembered, ocsad death, it will be remembered, ocsad death. curred soon after he took his seat in the Legislature, as a delegate from this county, and has acceptably filled the position.

osition. Captain Love has been a useful member of the County Board of Supervisors for many years; was a brave Confederate and was three times wounded soldier, and was three times wounded during his service in the army. Only those who voted for Bryan in the last Presidential election are to vote in the

Colonel Alexander for the House.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

BOYDTON, VA., Oct. 1.—Col. J. T. Alexander was nominated by acclamation here to-day by the convention of the Democratic party of Mecklenburg. The Democratic County Committee also met and elected Walter L. Gregory county chairman. Mr. Gregory is the chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Mecklenburg. Board of Supervisors of Mecklenburg.

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(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

WYTHEVILLE, VA., Oct. I.—Wythe county Democrats in convention here to-day nominated by acciamation Stephen S. Simmerman for the House. Mr. Simmerman lives on Cripple Creek, near Ivanhoe, and is one of the most prosperous farmers in this section. Mr. Simmerman was not present, owing to the death of a relative at Ivanhoe. A committee of three was

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appointed to inform him. A resolution was unanimously adopted endorsing the nominees and platform of the Norfolk Convention. W. E. Fulton was chairman Alex Forward secretary of the con-

Nottoway Democrats.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) NOTTOWAY COURTHOUSE, VA., Oct. 1.—Democratic County Chairman Walter
A. Watson has called precinct meetings
at the several precincts in this county for
Saturday. October 12th, for the purpose of
electing delegates from this county to the
joint convention to be held at Burkeville,

October 15th, to nominate a candidate for the House of Delegates for the district composed of Nottoway and Amelia, The several meetings will be called to order at noon, except at Crewe, where the hour of meeting will be fixed by the precinet chairman. A new County Com-mittee will also be elected in pursuance

of the party plan of reorganization. Robert G. Southall, of Amelia, the present very able member of the House, will be renominated without opposition.

NO SEABOARD QUORUM.

Appointment of Officers of That Road-Torpedo-Boat Driff.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) NORFOLK, VA., Oct. 1. At the meeting of the Seaboard and Roanoke Rallway there was no quorum present, and the meeting was adjourned to November 2d. Rev. G. W. Bull, of Atlanta, has an-counced his decision to accept the call to

the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church, Portsmouth. The monitor Puritan arrived here this afternoon from Annapolis. She will go into the dry dock at the Norton Navy-

Incoming vessels rep rt that the battleships Massachusetts and Kearsarge are off Cape Henry drilling. The battleships lay in Lynn Haven Bay last night using their search-lights, and

yard.

tug elen who saw them say they were ap-parently drilling with torpedo-boats and using their search-lights 'n order to de-tect the approach of the destroyers. It was announced to-day that Acting Southwestern Freight and Passenger Agent of the Seaboard Air Line M. O'Connor has been confirmed in that position

and will have headquarters at New Or-Mr. W. H. Fulton, former secretary to the general passenger agent, has been appointed traveling passenger agent, with

FORTY-SEVEN APPLICANTS

headquarters at Atlanta.

Go Up Against the Examination of Supreme Court for Law License. (Special Dispatca to The Times.) RALEIGH, N. C., Oct. 1.—A class of forty-seven applicants for licenses to practice law were examined before the North

Carolina Supreme Court to-day. The examination consisted of sixty-six questions of which the applicant must answer two-The Hood-Shelton Company, of Charlotte, has been chartered by the Secre-tary of State with \$200,000 capital stock, to do a wholesale merchandise business.

The Rowland Grocery Company, of

Rowland Grocery company, or Rowland, Robeson county, was also chartered to-day, with \$3,000 capital.

A compromise has been effected by the State Board of Education with K. S. Finch, of Charlotte, who held an option on all State swamp lands, by which 500,000 acres of land have been released and to be sold for the benefit of the applies. is to be sold for the benefit of the public